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### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- All allegations of the Complaint are based on information and belief and are
   likely to have evidentiary support after a reasonable opportunity for investigation and discovery.
- 2. At all times herein mentioned, Plaintiff was and is a resident of the County of Ventura, State of California.
- 3. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based upon such information and belief alleges that at all times herein mentioned, Defendant WAL-MART STORES, INC. ("WAL-MART") was and is a corporation.
- 4. At all times herein mentioned, Defendants, and each of them, were the possessors, controllers, managers, designers, maintainers, inspectors, supervisors and owners of the premises and its appurtenant part, commonly known as Wal-Mart, located at 255 Cochran Street, Simi Valley, CA 93065, in the County of Ventura, State of California ("STORE").
- 5. On or about November 22, 2018, PLAINTIFF was walking on the STORE's premises when she unwittingly stepped in a foreign substance of the STORE's floor causing PLAINTIFF to lose traction with the floor, causing PLAINTIFF to fall and causing PLAINTIFF personal injuries.
- 6. On the above date and time, PLAINTIFF was a customer invitee on Defendant's, and each of their, premises.
- 7. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise, of Defendants named herein as Does 1 through 10 and Roe Corporations 1 through 10 are unknown to PLAINTIFF, who therefore sucs such Defendants by such fictitious names and

 will amend this Complaint to show their true names and capacities when ascertained together with the proper charging allegations.

- 8. At all times herein mentioned, Defendants Docs 1 through 10 and Roc Corporations 1 through 10, inclusive, were the agents, servants and employees of their co-Defendants, and in doing the things hereinafter alleged were acting within the scope of their authority as such agents, servants and employees and with the consent and permission of their co-Defendants.
- 9. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes and thereupon alleges that each of the Defendants designated herein as a DOE or ROE is responsible in some manner and liable herein by reason of negligence, malfeasance, nonfeasance, wanton and reckless misconduct, and conscious disregard, and said Defendants directly, legally and proximately caused the injuries and damages asserted in this Complaint by such wrongful conduct.
- representative, employee or agent of each and every corporate or business defendant, were authorized, ordered, and directed by the respective Defendant's corporate or business employers, officers, directors and/or managing agents; that in addition thereto, said corporate or business employers, officers, directors and or managing agents had advance knowledge of, authorized, and participated in the herein described acts, conduct and nonfeasance of their representatives, employees, agents and each of them; and that in addition thereto, upon the completion of the aforesaid acts, conduct and nonfeasance of the employees and agents, the aforesaid corporate and business employers, officers, directors and/or managing agents respectively ratified, accepted the

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 11. In addition, at all times herein relevant, each defendant, whether named herein or designated as a DOE or ROE, was a principal, master, employer and joint venturer of every other defendant, and every defendant was acting within the scope of said agency authority, employment and joint venture.

#### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 12. This Court has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to <u>Code of Civil Procedure</u> section 410.10 because the accident and/or injury occurred within Ventura County, California.
- 13. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to the provisions of <u>Code of Civil</u>

  <u>Procedure</u> sections 395 and 395.5, in that the accident occurred and Defendants' obligations and liability arose in Ventura County, California.

## FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION FOR NEGLIGENCE (Against All Defendants)

- 14. PLAINTIFF repeats and realleges the preceding paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.
- 15. On or about November 22, 2018, PLAINTIFF was walking on the STORE's premises when she unwittingly stepped in a foreign substance of the STORE's floor causing PLAINTIFF to lose traction with the floor, causing PLAINTIFF to fall and causing PLAINTIFF personal injuries.

- 17. The aforementioned condition was known, or in the exercise of ordinary and reasonable care would have or should have been known, to Defendants, and each of them, in adequate time for a reasonably prudent person to warn of, clean up and make safe, the condition.
- 18. As a proximate result of the negligence of Defendants, and each of them, PLAINTIFF fell while walking on Defendants', and each of their, premises.
- 19. As a further and direct result of the negligence of Defendants, and each of them, PLAINTIFF slipped and fell and was injured in PLAINTIFF's health, strength and activity and sustained injuries to PLAINTIFF's body and nervous system all of which have caused and continue to cause PLAINTIFF great mental, physical and nervous pain and suffering. These injuries may result in personal and permanent disabilities to PLAINTIFF all to PLAINTIFF's general damages.
- 20. As a proximate result of the negligence of Defendants, and each of them,

  PLAINTIFF necessarily employed physicians and surgeons for medical examination, treatment
  and care of PLAINTIFF's injuries and incurred medical and incidental expenses and may have to
  incur additional like expenses in the future, all in amounts presently unknown to PLAINTIFF,
  who requests leave of Court to prove that amount at trial.
  - 21. As a proximate result of the negligence of Defendants, and each of them,

PLAINTIFF was disabled and may be disabled in the future and thereby be prevented from attending to the duties of PLAINTIFF's usual occupation. PLAINTIFF has therefore lost earnings and may continue to lose earnings in the future, all in amounts presently unknown to PLAINTIFF, who requests leave of Court to prove that amount at trial.

## WHEREFORE, PLAINTIFF prays for judgment as follows:

- 1. For general damages according to proof;
- 2. For damages for past and future medical expenses according to proof;
- 3. For loss of earnings according to proof;
- 4. For costs of suit herein incurred; and
- 5. For such other and further relief as this Court may deem proper

DATED: October 7, 2020

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